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CHURCHILL DOWNS JOCKEYS, TRACK OFFICIALS SET FOR ANNUAL VISIT TO LOUISVILLE'S NORTON CHILDREN'S HOSPITAL ON THURSDAY, JUNE 28

Retired Hall of Famer Pat Day Joins Active Riders on Annual Visit with Young Patients, Family Members

LOUISVILLE, Ky. (Wednesday, June 27, 2018) – A cherished annual tradition will continue for a 31st consecutive year when Churchill Downs jockeys and track officials visit with young patients, their families and friends at Louisville's **Norton Children's Hospital** on **Thursday, June 28**.

Retired Hall of Fame jockey **Pat Day** will join a roster of more than a dozen active riders headed by three-time Kentucky Derby winner and Hall of Famer **Calvin Borel**, Kentucky Oaks winner **Florent Geroux**, **Julien Leparoux** and **Ricardo Santana Jr.** for the renewal of the annual visit to Children's Hospital that began in 1988. Churchill Downs Racetrack President **Kevin Flanery** and other track representatives will join the riders during Thursday's visit with young patients at the hospital.

The event is scheduled to begin at **2 p.m. (EDT) Thursday in lobby of the hospital located at 231 East Chestnut St.** The riders and track officials will divide into groups to visit and distribute toys and mementos to patients on several floors.

Day ranks atop Churchill Downs' all-time victory list with 2,482 wins that include a triumph in the 1992 Kentucky Derby aboard **Lil E. Tee**. Borel ranks second on the track's all-time win list and won an unprecedented three Kentucky Derbys in four years on **Street Sense** (2007), **Mine That Bird** (2009) and **Super Saver** (2010). Other jockeys expected to participate in Thursday's Norton Children's Hospital visit include **Joe Rocco Jr.**, **Channing Hill**, **Gabriel Saez**, **Declan Cannon**, **Rogelio Miranda**, **Adam Beschizza**, **Edgar Morales**, **C.J. McMahan**, **Ryan Gazader**, **Samuel Camacho Jr.** and **Jack Gilligan**.

Media coverage of the annual visit by Churchill Downs jockeys to Norton Children's Hospital is welcomed. Interested media should **enter the hospital through its main entrance on East Chestnut** to meet with the riders, Churchill Downs representatives and hospital staff and volunteers. If they wish, media crews can accompany jockeys on their tours.

The visit by jockeys to Norton Children's Hospital first occurred on Kentucky Oaks Day in 1988 with the participation of four Kentucky Derby jockeys – all future inductees into the National Museum of Racing and Hall of Fame. The jockeys, who would guide the first four finishers in the Derby, were **Gary Stevens** (rider on the victorious **Winning Colors**), Day (runner-up aboard **Forty Niner**), **Eddie Delahoussaye** (third on **Risen Star**) and **Jerry Bailey** (fourth on **Proper Reality**).

The Norton Children's Hospital visit was conducted in its early years on Kentucky Oaks Day, but the ongoing expansion of Derby and Oaks racing and entertainment schedules prompted the annual event to be scheduled later during the Spring Meet.

Churchill Downs, the world's most legendary racetrack, has conducted Thoroughbred racing and presented America's greatest race, the Kentucky Derby, continuously since 1875. Located in Louisville, the flagship racetrack of Churchill Downs Incorporated (NASDAQ: CHDN) offers year-round simulcast wagering at the historic track. Churchill Downs will conduct the 145th running of the Kentucky Derby Presented by Woodford Reserve on May 4, 2019. The track's 2018 Spring Meet continues through June 30. An eight-time host to the Breeders' Cup World Championships, Churchill Downs will again be the site of that event on Nov. 2-3, 2018. Information is available at www.ChurchillDowns.com.

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